GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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ALLOTMENT OF LAND TO SOLDIERS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have followed any criteria for allotment of land to soldiers;

(b) the role played by the State Governments after allotment of land by the Union Government;

(c) whether the State Governments have furnished any reasons before the Union Government for delay/pendency in these cases;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the reasons for harassment of soldiers by the State Administration in providing land to them despite allotment of land by the Union Government;

(f) whether the Union Government would review such cases; and

(g) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) There is no provision in the existing Defence Land Policy for permanent allotment of defence land to serving soldiers.However, temporary surplus defence land are granted on lease for short durations for agricultural purposes to ex-servicemen subject to prescribed conditions.

(b) to (g): Do not arise.